# YMCA AT VIRGINIA TECH

## Mobile Food Market Intern

**FEDERAL WORKSTUDY** ELIGIBLE STUDENTS ONLY

**Overview**:

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| Title: | **Mobile Food Market Intern** |
| Hours per week: | **10 hours**, on average |
| Rate of pay: | **$20.00 per hour** |
| Time period: | 2025/26 academic year |
| Schedule | Flexible; some evenings and weekends may be required |
| Positions: | 1 position available |
| Synopsis: | assist with the operation of a pop-up market that provides fresh produce and food to food insecure communities / food deserts by leveraging EBT/SNAP benefits |

**Job Description**

**Summary**

The Y at VT offers meaningful paid internship positions that provide students with hands-on experience, applying concepts learned through coursework to real-world situations.

Reporting to the Director of Food Insecurity Programs and Operations, the Mobile Food Market Intern will assist with the operation of its EBT/SNAP Mobile Market. This role involves stocking, maintaining, and operating a mobile grocery unit equipped with an electronic Point of Sale (POS) system. The Mobile Market serves remote food deserts, providing access to fresh, nutritious, and affordable food for underserved and at-risk populations.

**Responsibilities:**

- Market Operations & Customer Service
  - Set up / break down mobile market
  - Operate electronic POS system to process purchases, ensuring accurate transactions and records
  - Assist customers with purchases and provide information about available products and services
  - Provide feedback from customers about market offerings or requests
  - Ensure a welcoming and respectful environment for all market patrons
- Inventory and stocking
  - Load / unload food items and supplies from mobile market
  - Organize and stock shelves, coolers, and displays in a clean and efficient manner
  - Monitor inventory levels and report restocking needs
  - Ensure compliance with food safety, hygiene, and USDA regulations.

**Experience and Qualifications:**

- Strong interest in food systems and justice, public health, or community service.
- Very strong interpersonal skills; able to interact tactfully and thoughtfully
- Valid Driver's License
- Ability to lift up to 40 lbs and work in various weather conditions.
- Complete assignments on time and work within tight deadlines
- Demonstrated commitment to working collaboratively with colleagues and other community organizations
- Comfort with on-line tools and resources
- Attention to detail
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office Professional Suite
- Excellent oral and written communication skills

At the YMCA at Virginia Tech, strengthening community is our cause. Since 1873 we've worked side-by-side with our neighbors, volunteers and partners to build community in the New River Valley through leadership, learning, and service; providing opportunities for individuals and families to learn, grow, and thrive. We strive to build community by:

- Nurturing the potential of children and young adults through academic enrichment, after-school, and leadership development programs
- Improving the health of well-being of individuals and families within the New River Valley through continuing education, food security, and wellness programs
- Leading by example as a socially responsible organization offering community recycling programs, promoting a sustainable food system, providing meaningful volunteer opportunities, and serving as a philanthropic partner for mission advancement.

Join us in creating lasting personal and social change throughout the New River Valley as a member of our staff team. To learn more about the YMCA at Virginia Tech, our programs and services please visit www.vtymca.org.

**TO APPLY:**

Review of applicants will begin immediately. Please send cover letter and resume to kevin.wiltsee@vtymca.org; include "Mobile Food Market Intern" in subject line. Feel free to call (540) 961-9622 with questions.